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FOR: NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCE

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LETTER TO PTO IN RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE COMMUNICATION MAILED MAY 17, 2004

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SIR:

Applicants note the following. A statement that the Sequence Listing filed in the present application is identical to the computer-readable Sequence Listing filed in Parent Application U.S. Serial No. 10/058,945 has already been made of record via the Preliminary Amendment filed with this application on March 17, 2004. In particular, Applicants direct the Office's attention to page 6 of that Preliminary Amendment (for reference a copy of the Preliminary Amendment is attached). Furthermore, a computer-readable Sequence Listing is not deemed to be necessary in the application as the Applicants have already requested in accordance with 37 C.F.R.§1.821(e) to use the last-filed computer-readable Sequence Listing filed in the parent application as a computer-readable Sequence

Listing for the present application. No further action is deemed necessary. Further examination on the merits is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

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Notice to Comply – Return Copy
Letter to PTO in Response to the Office Communication mailed May 17, 2004
Copy of Preliminary Amendment w/Sequence Listing (Paper) filed March 17, 2004

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